



Parish of St Wilfrid, Widnes

*Incorporating the churches of St Bede, St Michael,
St John Fisher and St Basil*



Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

23rd August 2026

Parish Office:

Monday to Friday: 9:30-16:30
(unless stated in newsletter)

Parish Clergy: 0151 422 1772

Rev. Father Mark Moran (Parish Priest, Moderator).

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Psalm Response

**"O LORD, your merciful love is eternal;
discard not the work of your hands."**

Gospel Acclamation Verse

**"You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church,
and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."**

Rome and Assisi Pilgrimage – 12th – 18th October 2026

Susan Warburton has booked a coach to pick us up from St. Bede's on **Monday 12th October** to take us to Liverpool airport and then collect us from Manchester airport on **Sunday 18th October** for our pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi. Time of departure will be advertised when flight confirmations have been received. It is highly advised that we all travel together, and the cost per person will be **£25**. Please pass your names and monies into the Parish Office asap for **Susan's attention**. If you are travelling to and from the airport independently, you must let us know asap, yet we really advise that all pilgrims travel together.

Pilgrims Meeting – Tuesday 29th September at 7pm at St. Bede's Church; please make every effort to attend as Susan will be present to answer all your questions and I will be there to look pretty!

Fr. Mark

New Age Indoor Bowls and Kurling, St John Fisher Church Hall

Join us every Wednesday afternoon, 1.00 pm to 3.00pm. Open to all, come along and join us for an afternoon of fun and giggles. Followed by a cup of tea or coffee, biscuits and a chat. Just £1 per session.

Mary's Meals

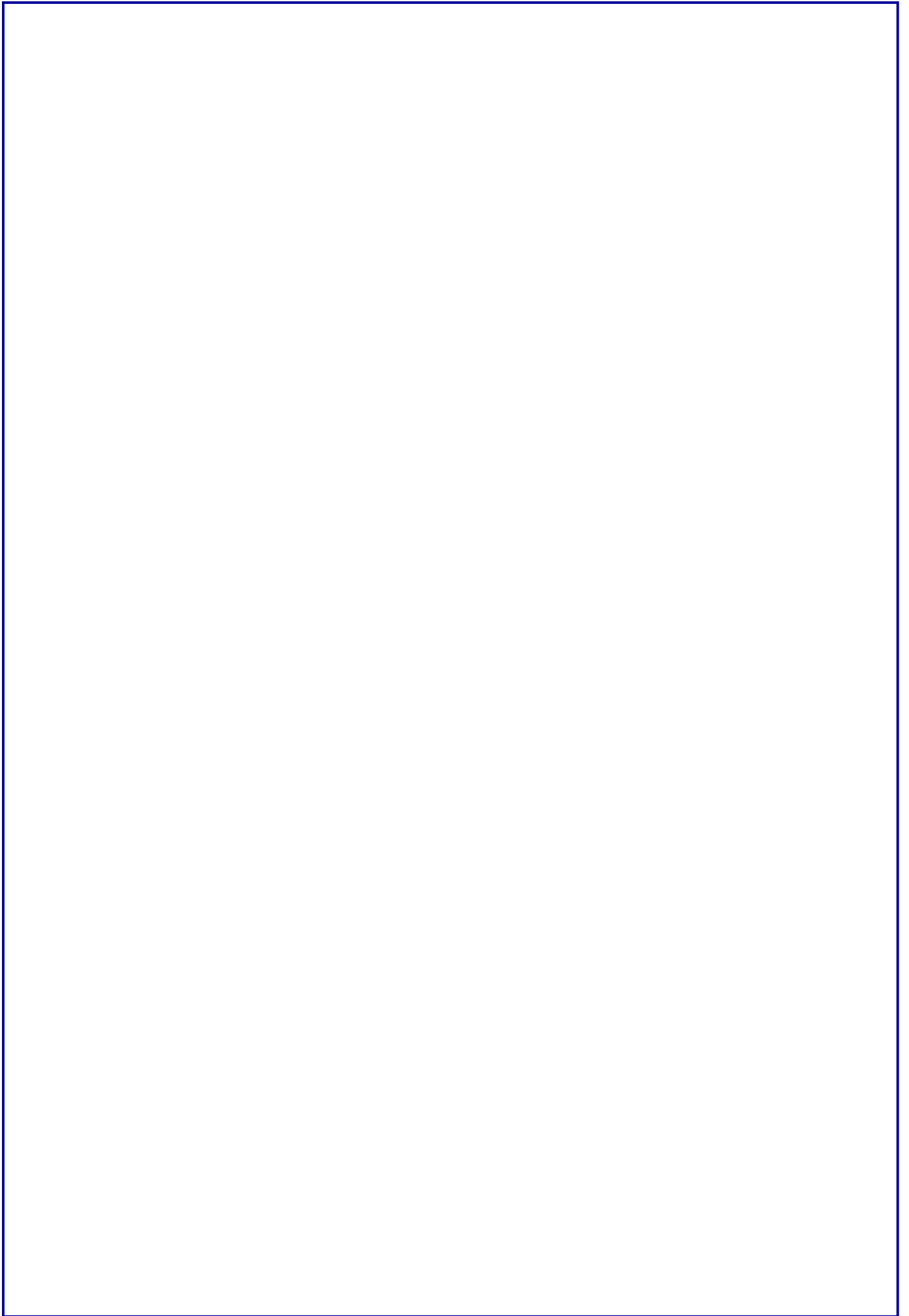
A big "Thank You" to all who contributed to the small change collection for Mary's Meals during Easter. You raised a brilliant £606.80. This will feed an extra 30 children for one year.

Elaine and Nina. Mary's Meals Co-Ordinator's

Knitted Poppies

For those parishioners who have been so kind in knitting poppies for St Mary's, can I ask that you leave your poppies at the back of church for collection. Thank you.

Carol Houghton





Parish Liturgy

Sunday	23rd August	Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time	
09.00	Holy Mass	St. Bede	Rita Hennesy
10.15	Holy Mass	St. Michael	Martin Hunt
16.00	Holy Mass	St. John Fisher	Rita Hamilton
Monday	24th August	Feast of St Bartholomew	
09.00	Exposition & Morning Prayer		
09.30	Holy Mass	St Basil	John Smither
10.00	Funeral Service	St Bede	Maureen Hughes
Tuesday	25th August	Memorial of St Edmund Arrowsmith	
11.00	Requiem Mass	St Bede	Thomas Glynn
Wednesday	26th August	Memorial of Blessed Dominic Barberi of the Mother of God	
10.00	Requiem Mass	St Bede	Margaret Reardon
12noon	Holy Mass	St Bede	Mary Sadler
Thursday	27th August	Memorial of St Monica	
No Mass or Service			
Friday	28th August	Memorial of St Augustine	
12noon	Deanery Mass	St. Peter and St. Michael, WA1 4WQ	
			Bernadette Connolly
			Rita Lomax
Saturday	29th August	Vigil of the Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	
16.30	Holy Mass	St. Basil	Parishioners
Sunday	30th August	Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	
09.00	Holy Mass	St. Bede	Peter Sunderland
10.15	Holy Mass	St. Michael	John Hough
16.00	Holy Mass	St. John Fisher	Cath Johnson

Young Catholics in Widnes

Our next event will take place on **Sunday 6th September** at St. Basil's. We'll meet at 18:00 for a time of adoration, followed by Benediction in Latin. After that it's BBQ time! Come along! Follow us on Instagram: @young_catholics_in_widnes.

Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for 7 days for your intention

St. Bede:	Bennie Rudge
St. Basil:	Special Intention
St. John Fisher:	Julia King
St. Michael:	Elizabeth Geraghty

Rest in Peace

Fr. Joseph Kendall, Alexander Standen,
Margaret (Lilian) Woodward,
Jean Smith, Mark Hylan & John Lavery.

May the Angels lead them into Paradise!